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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Constitutes a Committee to suggest a plan for the development of the Malnad.

...rnment Order No. S. R. 2472-551—E. C. 21.45-1, dated 21st ...1945, directing that a Committee be constituted to suggest a plan ...evelopment of the Malnad and to indicate the steps to be taken for the plan into execution with all practicable expedition, and stating ...e personnel of the Committee would be notified separately.

ORDER No. 3330-90—C. B. 290-45-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 17TH APRIL 1946.

Government are pleased to direct that the Committee referred to above be constituted as under:—

Chairman.

Rajamantrapravina Mr. A. V. Ramanathan, B.A.

Members.

Officials.—

1. The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
2. The Commissioner of Economic Development and Planning in Mysore.
3. The Director of Public Instruction in Mysore.
4. The Director of Public Health in Mysore.
5. The Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore.
6. The Senior Surgeon in Mysore.
7. The Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings in Mysore.

Non-Officials.—

1. Mr. Bhoopalam R. Chandrasekharayya.
2. „ A. Middleton.
3. *Lokasevaniratha* Mr. M. S. Dyave Gowda.
4. Mr. A. C. Mallegowda.
5. *Rao Bahadur* Mr. N. S. Nanjundiah.

Mr. S. K. Venkataramana Iyer, B.A., B.L., Under Secretary to Government, will be Secretary to the Committee.

MOHAMED ISMAIL SHERIFF, *Genl. Secy.*

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

Directs that in respect of foodcrops grown on areas irrigated by electric pumping sets an increase of Rs. 2 per palla over the existing purchase rates be paid to the growers.

ORDER No. S. D. 7548-71—C. 80-45-36, DATED BANGALORE, THE 18TH APRIL 1946.

At the meeting of the Lift Irrigation Sub-Committee of the Board of Agriculture held on 31st October 1945, the Sub-Committee, in considering the measures to be adopted for encouraging the raiyats to grow more food crops in the present acute food position in the State, was of the opinion that the concessions granted to the raiyats in the matter of issue of electric pumping sets were not sufficiently attractive and that they should be further liberalised and accordingly recommended, among other things, that only 75 per cent of the cost price of the pumping sets may be recovered from the raiyats and the remaining 25 per cent treated as subsidy. While the Government agree with the Sub-Committee as regards the need for further concessions to induce the raiyats to put up electric pumping sets and grow more foodgrains, they consider that no subsidy is called for, but that a suitable increase over the existing purchase prices of foodgrains may be allowed in respect of foodgrains grown on areas irrigated by electric pumps. Government are accordingly pleased to direct that in respect of food crops grown on areas irrigated by electric pumping sets an increase of Rs. 2 per palla over the existing purchase rates be paid to the growers.

C. E. NORONHA, *Dev. Secy.*
(*Food Supplies.*)

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Passes orders on the Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Audit Report and Appropriation Accounts for the year 1943-44.

READ—

Audit Report and Appropriation Accounts for the year 1943-44, received from the Comptroller to Government.

2. Report of the Public Accounts Committee thereon.

ORDER No. Fl. 7284-7370-G. F. 156-44-6, DATED BANGALORE, THE 12TH APRIL 1946.

Recorded

2. Appropriation Accounts :—

The percentage of total savings under voted grants during 1943-44 was 23·09 against 21·94 during the previous year As in the previous year, the savings were mostly due to non-availability of materials and labour and in one particular case, it was due to work not being completed within the year as originally contemplated.

3. Excesses over grants were reported under seven voted heads, the aggregated amount of the excesses being Rs. 85,81,657 which represents 20·55 per cent of the total appropriation against 24·30 in the previous year. Excluding the contributions to funds (which are not real items of expenditure), the percentage of excess under actual expenditure will be much less. The large excesses under Forest—working expenses and other charges and Railways worked by Government were necessary on account of operations which resulted in increase of revenue also.

The Committee have also examined the causes for the excesses under the several heads and recommended that the excesses be passed. A schedule of demands for excess grants on account of the above was accordingly presented to the Legislative Council at its Session during December 1945 and all the demands were passed.

4. With regard to the excess expenditure reported under non-voted heads, Government direct that the excesses as under be passed :—

		Rs.
1. 15 Pensions and Allowances	...	38,441
2. 26 Education	...	10,000
3. 32-B. Expenditure connected with the War, 1939	...	11,552
4. Extraordinary Expenditure	...	20
Total	...	60,013

5. As regards the supplementary grants stated to have been obtained unnecessarily, the practice has all along been that when a new scheme is taken up, the whole amount required for the entire scheme is asked for, instead of limiting the expenditure to the amount likely to be spent during the year and this results in large savings under these heads. Government direct that in future when demands for such expenditure are placed before the Legislative Council, the amount should be limited to that which is likely to be spent during the course of that year. Of course, an indication must be given regarding the extent of commitments involved.

6. *Audit Report.*—Expenditure without estimates, excess of expenditure over the sanctioned estimates and inordinate delay in sending completion reports :—

Government regret to note that in spite of repeated instructions, the percentage of expenditure placed under objection which was 18·6 per cent in 1941-42 and 16·5 per cent in 1942-43 had risen to 29·3 per cent during the year under report, in the Public Works Department. It is reported that part of the expenditure relates to want of estimates with respect to maintenance. It has been suggested that in a good number of these cases, it is possible to have standard estimates prepared which might be sanctioned at the beginning of the year, revised estimates being submitted in cases where there are large variations. The Comptroller and the Chief Engineer are requested to examine this question and send up a report.

It would also be useful, if the Chief Engineers make a detailed review of the items placed under objection by the Comptroller once a quarter, and send a copy of the review to Government. A para may be included in the review to indicate the action taken on the previous reviews.

Government trust that with the adoption of the above proposals the volume of items under objections could be avoided or at least minimised.

The Comptroller is also requested to separate in future reports, items of "want of estimates" from "want of revised estimates."

As regards the delay in the completion of old works, it is observed that though the works had been completed in many of these cases, they were shown as incomplete for want of completion reports. There should ordinarily be no delay in sending up completion reports. The Comptroller is also requested in future to show under this head only real cases of delay in completion of works, a separate para being put up for noting abnormal delays in submission of completion reports.

B. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAO, *Finl. Secy.*

Fixes the limit of advances to the employees of the Industrial Concerns out of their Provident Fund Accounts.

ORDER NO. FL. 7387-95—G. F. 283-45-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 16TH APRIL 1946.

Government consider that it is necessary to have one uniform set of rules regulating the grant of advances to members, who are subscribers to the compulsory scheme of Provident Funds of the several Industrial Concerns and they are accordingly pleased to direct that when the pecuniary circumstances of a member are such that the indulgence is absolutely necessary, a temporary advance from the *compulsory* subscriptions of the member may be allowed, the amount of advance being limited to a maximum of four months' pay of the employee.

A rule to this effect should be incorporated in the Provident Fund Rules of the Industrial Concerns.

B. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAO, *Finl. Secy.*

Sanctions the continuance of the Dearness Allowance to certain retired employees of Government.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 4586-4650—S. & A. 103-45-1, dated 3rd January 1946, sanctioning the continuance of the grant of Dearness Allowance, on a sliding scale ranging from Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 per mensem, to the retired employees of Government in receipt of pensions, not exceeding Rs. 40 per mensem, till the end of March 1946.

ORDER NO. FL. 7485-7550—S. & A. 103-45-3, DATED BANGALORE, THE 23RD APRIL 1946.

Government are pleased to direct that the rates of Dearness allowance sanctioned to the retired employees of Government in receipt of pensions of Rs. 40 and below per mensem, referred to in the Government Order read above, be continued till the end of June 1946.

B. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAO, *Fl. Secy.*

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